

Tuesday, 28 August

Acting

1. Through my representative at Watch Committee Meeting of 28 August, pressed home the points of heavy loading and number of ships from the Black Sea carrying military equipment to Cuba. My representative stated that the speed and magnitude of deliveries is unprecedented. (From unofficial handwritten notes taken at meeting.)
2. Combined Watch Report of the USIB (dtd 29 Aug.) states, "We are not able on the basis of evidence available at this time to determine the precise nature or purpose of the intensified program of Bloc military assistance and construction in Cuba. Those activities represent a significant Soviet effort to improve the defensive military capabilities of the Cuban regime.
3. Meeting w/House Armed Services Committee (Vinson Comte) re Early Retirement Legislation.

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